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DIRECT SUPPORT MISSION NEWS

By Frank Cunningham

By the time this is read the battle of Manila will be raging, or the city will have been liberated by the American armies. We trust that a multitude of prayers will be ascending for those intrepid missionaries interned since the fall of the Philippines: The Wolfes, Hales, Newlands, Carlsons, and Misses Shimmel, and Jones, also the United Society workers, the Hubers and Smiths. Let "prayer be made earnestly unto God" for these in this time of crisis.

It is estimated that each week 35,000 people pass the Portland Hebrew Mission with its five large windows displaying scripture signs. Brother and Sister Meyer Tan-Ditter, directors of the mission, are widely known in Oregon. Brother Tan-Ditter says: "The purpose of the Hebrew Mission is to be a witness of Christ to the Jewish people. It reaches around 600 Jewish people every month, either by personal contact or through tract, visitation or mail. During the past seven years there have been many conversions, many confessions and over 47 baptisms." The Tan-Ditters have held a number of evangelistic campaigns for Oregon churches. The address of the Portland Hebrew Mission is 2406 S. W. First, Portland 1.

Grace Farnham, for many years a missionary in Japan, and one of the last if not the last of our missionaries to be sent home after many months in an internment camp, recently visited the Stills at Gunnison, Utah. She speaks highly of their work among the Japanese-Americans in that area. Speaking of the services being held for adults and young people she says: "I spoke at both of these services afternoon and evening on my experiences in the Japanese internment camp. Japanese are always pleased to hear that I was treated kindly. It is hard for them to hear only condemnation of the Japanese when they know that there are many good and kind people among them. I received an offering from the young people of $20." Grace is considering going to Colorado to work among the Japanese there. Before going, however, she will spend some time on the west coast. Any church desiring a visit from her should address her at 2650 Portland Road, Salem, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. David Howell Rees, students at Berkley, California, language school where they are preparing to go with the Dittemores to join the Yunnan-Tibetan Christian Mission, will be speaking in Oregon and Washington February 18 to March 4. Writing of them Mrs. Isabel Maxey Dittemore says: "We hope, the Reeses and ourselves, to sail this fall to India with Mrs. Rothermel, and work there until they allow us into China."

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Taylor, who arrived in the United States from West China just 7 days before Pearl Harbor, and who are planning to return when the way is open, will also be speaking in Oregon churches during the latter part of February.

William R. Ricketts, who has been working with the Calvin Hartmans at Juneau, Alaska, but who has made preparations to establish a work at Fairbanks, is slated to be in this area in the near future also, "To call on the churches in the Northwest to bring them the story of Alaska missions at the present time and to interest them in the undertaking."

Supt. E. J. Gilstrap, of Turner Memorial Home, says that funds are gradually accumulating for the construction at a later date of the Ritzhaven and Centennial cottages. One of the honored members of Turner Home, Mrs. Sally Esson, widow of Albyn Esson, who preached for many years in the Willamette Valley, passed to her reward on December 29, 1944. C. F. Swander conducted the memorial services at Albany. She was buried at Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke D. Elliott arrived back in Jamaica on December 19. They are busy erecting a home,

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The Fires of Evangelism Keep Growing

By Ed P. Dewees

Evangelists Willie White and Clifford Snyder got off to a running start on the new year when they began the meeting with Wayne Osborne and the church at Jasper on December 31. Fruits of the labors there were 10 baptisms, 4 transfers, and 2 from denominations. The church was greatly encouraged and for one of our smaller congregations gave a demonstration of stewardship with an offering of $271.61.

The Jasper meeting closed January 21 and the team began at Amity on January 28 with two additions by transfer on that day. One of Amity's boys, James Earl Ladd, of the Portland Central Church, dropped some spiritual "blockbusters" in a three-night rally the previous week. On February 4 your reporter visited the meeting and talked to the men at the Sunday School session. Ray Smith, pastor, was a former state president of the Ninety and Nine, and Amity is the home of the present incumbent. Just to keep White and Snyder out of mischief a state executive committee meeting was held at Amity on February 5. Their next meeting is with the Valley church at Hood River. Let us continue to uphold their hands in prayer.

What! Another Fire?

When we wrote to Newell and Anna Rose Morgan for some information with which to "smoke out some more dollars" from the Millenium Minute Men we got more than we asked for. Quoting from the "Morgan Muddle," the church paper at Sutherlin, we read: "At 4 a. m. on Sunday, January 7, the inhabitants of Sutherlin were awakened by the local fire siren. The new Christian Church building was on fire! (It's been on fire most of the time, spiritually speaking). This time it was really burning. Fire of unknown origin burned the rafters in the east wing and started into the woodwork in the auditorium. Quick action on the part of the Sutherlin Fire Department saved the building without too much loss. About 100 men turned out to help fight the fire, it being the first time in years that some had been out to church!"

Additional word from the Morgans was that despite the shock and disappointment (a big day had been planned for Bible Sunday with special program and basket dinner) the brethren pitched in and cleaned debris and water from the building until 8:30 a. m., then went down to the Community Hall and prepared it for services. Bible School attendance was 80, and the attendance at worship nearly 100—and they celebrated Bible Sunday with the prize being won by a Bible brought over on the Mayflower! Volunteer helpers worked most of the week repairing the damage and the Cornerstone Class changed its monthly party into a "Pie Fire Social," raising $110 for repairs. Services were held in the building January 14 with 95 in Bible School. We hope Sutherlin is never flooded, but if it is the Sutherlin Christian Church will be floating on top.

Seriously, Sutherlin has some great victories in reward for the faith of its members—from the 23 in the first Sunday School to 144 on Rally Day December 3 and 125 on Christmas Sunday; from 23 in membership at the start of the organization last June to 43 now, 12 being added by baptism; $1,067 raised for local expense, $47 for missions, and much of the $3,000 for the building fund to date. But the battle is not over. The total cost of the building is $6,500 and it is insured for that amount. A Portland architect recently estimated it would cost $10,000 if built on contract. $3,400 has been borrowed to pay all bills, $1,400 from four couples in the church without interest and $2,000 from a local friend on mortgage. The present goal is to clear this $3,400 by June 24 so that the building may be dedicated debt-free on the first anniversary of the church.

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Northwestern Christian College News

By Kenneth Johnston

The President's Column

What training should be provided for those who plan to become foreign missionaries?

Most major mission boards require prospective missionaries to take much the same course that is widely designated for ministers, namely: 4 years of Liberal Arts (non-religion) college work; 3 years of seminary work; 1 or 2 more years of work pointing to a particular field; added training on the field.

"Is such procedure the best?"

Recently I asked this question of Dr. Laubach, famed missionary teacher of illiterates. His three word reply was, "Far from it."

Other missionaries with whom I have talked in recent months concur in Dr. Laubach's view. And all the while religious bodies accumulate millions for post-war mission work. But who will be the missionaries? Can we wait ten years?

So what?

Never having been a foreign missionary I do not have the answers. But missionaries do.

So, on April 10, 11, 12, there is to be a "Conference of Missionaries and a Missionary Conference" at N. C. C. Missionaries who have been on the firing line in the army of the Lord will discuss this question and bring in findings. N. C. C. will provide missionary training in conformity with the best judgment coming out of this conference.

More about this later. In the meantime if you know of any missionary of any brotherhood now living in the Northwest who can make a contribution in such a conference send that one's name to me, please.—Ross J. Griffeth.

Coming Events

Easter evangelistic period: March 24 to April 1.

Spring term begins: April 2.

"Conference of Missionaries and Missionary Conference:" April 10-12.

Commencement, Alumni Banquet, Trustees Meeting: June 14.

Summer School: June 18-July 24. Session will be divided into two periods. Detailed announcement later.

An N. C. C. Day

Under the direction of Lloyd M. Balfour, Minister, The First Christian Church of Burley, Idaho, recently observed N. C. C. Day. Young people home from N. C. C. during vacation provided most of the program. Items on the program included:

"Physical properties of N. C. C. and the need for new dormitories," by Don Slack; "The quality of young people attending N. C. C.," by Betty Jo Keenan; "The Bible Based and Christ centered curriculum," by Naomi Dick; "Why we speak of the College as 'Dear old N. C. C.,'" by Nadine Hunt; "N. C. C. aims and policies; Where does N. C. C. get its money?" by Eva Marie Johnson. A letter by Anne Johnson on "Personal impressions of N. C. C." was read.

If any other congregation wishes to put on such a program and the college can be of help in supplying information or furnishing other help just write to N. C. C.

Board of Trustees Meet

Northwest Christian College is fortunate in having a Board of Trustees who take seriously the responsibility of trusteeship. The Board met for their semi-annual meeting on January 31. The 17 members present travelled a total distance of 11,060 miles and counting travel time gave approximately 50 days of time to the college. Those present were: Dr. Victor P. Morris, Eugene Hayter, C. S. Robertson, Frank Cunningham, William Baird, Mark Cronenberger, Lester Jones, C. C. Curtis, Earl Saladin, George Buschell, Orval D. Peterson, Rex Dallas, Earl Van Doren, H. D. Mills, Orville Mick, Chester Farr, and Lawrence Wells.

The Board consists of 18 members: three from Washington, three from Oregon, two from Idaho, one from Montana, three representatives at large and six from the Alumni Association.

Interesting Figures

Total contributions for the calendar year 1944 were $41,685.32. 100 Oregon churches gave $18,013.47. 72 Washington and North Idaho chuches gave $15,567.53. 13 South Idaho churches gave $2,850.55. Students and faculty members gave $1,810.58. Miscellaneous gifts were $979.80. 14 Montana churches gave $963.91, and 16 miscellaneous churches outside the Northwest gave $1,499.48.

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Spring Conventions

The officers of the East Oregon Convention met on January 26 and made up the program. It is not yet far enough for release, but the prospectus looks good. The place will be Wallowa, and the date is May 1, 2. It is not anticipated that this will fall into the ODT category of conventions so you may plan to come.

Other districts are planning for spring conventions also. We hope to be able to announce dates and places for all in the next issue. We should make this series a bulwark to the whole state work.

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WILLARD L. MELLINGER

It was with genuine sorrow that we heard of the death of our old boyhood friend, Wilard L. Mellinger, on the morning of January 21, at Watsonville, California, where he was assistant pastor. He came to Oregon in 1903, immediately after graduating from college, to the church at Ashland. He has served the churches at Ashland, two pastorates; and Woodlawn (Portland), two pastorates. The idea of uniting Woodlawn and Rodney Avenue to make Mallory Avenue Church was his. He served as missionary in Mexico; also the churches at Ogden, Utah; Chico, Los Gatos, Lodi, and Watsonville, California. He was instrumental in bringing the writer to this state. Surviving him are his widow, Grace Mellinger, a son Maxon, and a daughter, Margaret. He was a loyal friend, a good preacher, and a faithful Christian. Many friends in Oregon will grieve for him.—C. F. S.

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JANUARY ADDITIONS

(The first number represents baptisms, the second transfers).

Albany, 0-3; Amity, 0-7; Ashland, 4-1; Athena, 0-1; Beaverton, 1-0; Bend, 0-3; Central Point, 3-0; Coquille, 1-1; Dallas, 1-0; Detroit, 1-0; Drain, 3-6; Eugene First, 7-5; Garibaldi, 10-8; Grants Pass, 1-0; Hillsboro, 0-1; La Grande, 0-2; Marcola, 0-2; Medford First, 4-7; Mill City, 0-1; Milton, 0-4; Milwaukie, 1-0; Monmouth, 7-1; Mosier, 0-4; Multnomah, 0-3; Myrtle Point, 5-3; North Bend, 0-2; North Plains, 1-0; Nyssa, 0-1; Pendleton, 3-3; Porland Central, 5-10; Portland Englewood, 3-0; Portland Kern Park, 1-6; Portland Sellwood, 1-0; Portland St. Johns, 8-4; Redmond, 0-1; Roseburg, 0-5; Salem Court, 2-9; Salem First, 3-6; Springfield, 10-16; St. Helens, 6-2; Sutherlin, 1-0; Sweet Home, 4-7; Tillamook, 4-2; Turner, 0-3; Wallowa, 1-3; Willamina, 10-8. Totals, 112-149.

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SPRINGFIELD — Have remodeled and redecorated the interior of the building. Christmas offering for benevolence was $170.34. Claude F. O'Brien, pastor.

SUTHERLIN — The Bible School reached 95 January 4. Marshall Gilchrist assists us on week-ends. Newell Morgan, pastor.

Hattie Mitchell Returns to Congo

By Muriel Jordan

Hattie Mitchell, living link missionary of Salem First Church, whose station is Mondombe, Africa, was a featured speaker at three services on Sunday, January 14 at the annual Woman's Day observance. At the morning hour Miss Mitchell gave a stirring account of the Congo work past, present and future; which was followed by a dinner and fellowship Service during which she answered many questions that were put to her. Again in the evening she spoke to the assembled youth of the church.

Hattie has a large and valuable collection of things used by Congolese natives in daily life and for warfare, which she gave to the Salem church. Suitable trophy cases will be made and the articles will be on display at all times.

She plans to leave for her mission station some time during February if transportation is available. She plans to take the many articles with her that have been made by the various missionary groups of the state to help in her work among the natives. Some groups may not have finished their projects in which case they may send them with Gertrude Shoemaker when she returns to Mondombe sometime in July.

Patterns are Available

The State Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Jordan, has sketches of many simple articles of infants and children's clothing, communion cloths, school bags and other items that can be made largely of odds and ends or used materials which will be welcomed by Miss Shoemaker as she has many requests for such things from the natives. A card asking for a list of suggestions will bring it to you.

February is Brotherhood Month

In the face of world chaos and national hatreds it is more important than ever that Christian people keep a balanced perspective of our relationships with other nationalities. A message addressed to the United Council of Church Women, by Pearl S. Buck, is very timely. She says: "I see in women the greatest force for peace and good will in the world. It seems to me sometimes they are the only force. In women there is the peculiar realization of the value of life, the precious quality of the individual, with its needs and potentialities, the same everywhere in the world.

"And among women, (and I talk with safe hope to the women of the Christian Church) I plead with you to take the leadership in human brotherhood. If you do not take the lead in your own actions as well as in your plans, where can leadership be found in this world? There are none who have had your opportunities for knowing what is right and good, none that have the power that you have to put right and good into action.

"The world of peoples is today confused and even frightened. People of lesser countries are afraid and in victorius peoples, who knows whether in their triumph justice and mercy will prevail? The task is huge and opportunity endless. Now is the moment to work with every means we have. The time for words is over. Action alone can count." Signed, Pearl S. Buck.

The January issue of The Church Woman gives the following concrete suggestions as to things we can do individually to help ease racial tensions in community and church life: 1.-Support legislation designed to grant democratic rights to racial minorities in such fields as employment, education, health, the ballot and social security. 2.-Work through church and community for resettlement and reintegration of Japanese families into community life. 3.-Establish "rumor" clinics to run down rumors and build understanding among groups in community life. 4.-Build public opinion against restrictive housing covenants and practices of segregation in Federal housing. 5.-Work to make more churches racially inclusive in membership, where all individuals may enjoy a full Christian fellowship. 6.-Work for the passage and enforcement of civil rights laws.

The race problem is not acute in Oregon yet, but it can become so unless Christian people take a firm stand in the matter.

Thanks from Japanese Center

A very interesting "thank you" note acknowledging receipt of Christmas gifts from Oregon church women came from Yasaburo Tsuda, chairman of the Gift Committee of the Rivers Arizona Japanese Relocation Center. He told of the camp life, saying that it is divided into 33 blocks with each block averaging 200 residents. There is a general dining hall in each block, and this is where the Christmas programs were held. In some cases the program was given by persons of Bhuddist faith, but they entered wholeheartedly into the spirit of the occasion and gave fine programs. After refreshments Santa Claus appeared and everyone laughed to hear him speak with a Japanese accent. Carols, gifts, plays and other symbols of the season were in evidence everywhere even though this was the third year for these people to spend in a Relocation Center.

He wrote in part: "Many people have come to understand the real spirit of Christmas through your efforts. You have given to us a Christmas message which the people in this Center can see in action; It is better than straight forward preaching. Many of us have located in various parts of the United States and the rest of us are faced with eventual relocation. It may be that you may be our neighbors! We pray that this neighborly contact made in His name may continue on to other avenues of His work as we labor together to spread the message of Jesus Christ."

The Fields Are White

Slightly more than four months remain of this missionary year. This challenges us to greater effort to go over the top gloriously in our national Adult missionary project. We are doing well, but we must do our BEST when our final goal means the restaffing of our many mission stations at home and abroad. The need is so urgent, we cannot fail. The United Christian Missionary organization is limited in its work to exactly the amount of money that is sent in by the individual societies large and small. Let's really give as we have been prospered and in accordance with the great need.

World Day of Prayer

February 16 will be the observance of the World Day of Prayer with the theme, "That ye show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light." —I Peter 2:9. Every Christian of whatever denomination, should take part in this universal day of prayer.

Personalities

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Roberts have recently returned to their home in Spokane, Washington, while on furlough from mission work in the Belgian Congo. Both have been popular as speakers in the Northwest.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, of Eugene, are announcing the engagement of their daughter Miss Fay Jean Brown, U. S. Cadet nurse, to David R. Moon, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moon, retired missionary to Jamaica. David is a student at N. C. C. this year. No date for the wedding was announced.

Mr. and Mrs. David Byerlee arrived in Congo December 31, having sailed October 17 and being held up five weeks in Lisbon waiting passage to Africa.

Miss Florine Cantrell of Mexico arrived in the U. S. for furlough just before Christmas. She has enrolled in a school of nursing for further training. Miss Cantrell was one of the founders of the new maternity home in Zacatecas, Mexico.

Centennial Projects

The Centennial Fund has commenced to operate. To the present time it has accomplished the following:

1.—Reshingled the tabernacle at a cost of more than $2,000;

2.—Established the church at Seaside;

3.—Supported a weekly radio program;

4.—Made a payment to the Hebrew Mission;

5.—Assisted in organization of the Sutherlin Church.

Other projects are ahead. The Centennial Committee and State Board are anxious to use the money wisely rather than hastily. We shall keep the people informed from time to time.

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CHURCHES BUY PROPERTY

Two good pieces of news have broken in January. The church at Astoria has at last succeeded in purchasing the Christian Science property which is just back of the property they have occupied for many years. The new building is all complete except for the auditorium, but the basement will fully accommodate the church for a time. About $25,000 has already been spent on the building and our church got it for $7,500. Our Permanent Fund made it possible for them to take advantage of the opportunity.

Word just comes that the church at Glendale has bought the Catholic church building. It is well located and has a large lot attached to it. It will require some repairs but it will give them a home and something to work toward. The Permanent Fund has returned to the church there the amount that was realized from the sale of our former building some eight years ago. A loan may be made in this also.

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RADIO SPEAKERS

The centennial broadcast over KWJJ at 1:45 each Thursday, Dial 1080, is as follows:

Feb. 22, N. J. Reasoner, St. Helens.

March 1, James Earl Ladd, Portland.

March 8, Donald D. Priest, Canby.

March 15, G. W. Springer, Beaverton.

March 22, Howard Cole, Portland.

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EUGENE FIRST — Our Sunday School won in the contest with Yakima. Our Christmas offering for benevolence was $425. There is $21,496.24 in the building fund, and $2,047.95 for missionary work. The church plans to support a living link. Mrs. E. V. Stivers, secretary.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTES

By the time this paper gets to the churches the Leadership Training Institutes wil be under way. We are here giving the whole series and ask churches to attend the one most convenient. There is no charge for registration but there will be an offering taken to help bear the expense of the program. The places and dates are as follows:

Kern Park, February 12, 13.
Forest Grove, February 19, 20.
Silverton, February 26, 27.
Dallas, March 6, 7.
Lebanon, March 12, 13.
Springfield, March 19, 20.

The following persons will constitute the faculty, each one serving in two places: Mrs. J. W. Jordan, Wm. Siefke, Hayden Stewart, Russell Myers, Howard Cole, Mrs. John R. Howard, Mrs. Victor P. Morris, Dudley Strain, Hubert E. Sias, L. O. White, Rex Lawson, Kenneth Knox, Geo. J. Turner, Orville F. Mick, and Ross J. Griffeth. C. F. Swander will be at each institute and act as dean. This is a capable line-up. Come to your nearest one and see who your faculty is.

The sessions will be at night only. Bring your note book and pencil. This is an opportunity to get started in a real leadership program.

Convention Classes

It has been definitely decided that there will be morning classes at state convention again this year. The Educational Committee will have the responsibility of setting up these classes. If you have a desire for some particular subject send it in and it will receive consideration. It may not be possible to grant everybody's desire for doubtless some connected theme will be followed in the class work. But you may be able to help the committeeto decide that theme.

Conventions banned?

The word came several weeks ago that because of congestion on the transportation lines and hotels gatherings of more than 50 persons would not be permitted. This upon the authority of the Office of Defense Transportation. We have sent in our application for our convention and have tried to make it clear that there are no hotels in Turner to be used if we would; and that scarcely anybody uses the railroads to come. We have not heard from it however. As soon as we hear we will publish the reply, and in the meantime we are going merrily on making preparations. The Educational Committee will meet on March 10.

A State Worker

At the last meeting of the State Board it was the expressed opinion that we should have a church school worker in the field. There is a vast field for such a work. Not a school but needs the helpfulness of some one who can come and spend a few days in evaluating the work and helping to build a program that will fit the needs of that community. The Educational Committee will canvass the field for a suitable person and it is hoped that one may be found to do some work yet this spring.

State Offerings

Only 30 schools have sent an offering for state work this missionary year. If a special worker should be put in the field the schools should bear the burden of the support. If you have not yet sent your offering do so now. And if any school has the thanksgiving offering yet in its treasury it should be sent in at once.

Year of Dedication

Remember that we are in the Year of dedication—dedication of life, of time, of talent, of possessions. If every Christian were dedicated 100% there would be enough for all demands.

Support for Northwestern Christian Home Grows

Laura K. Hill, Sup't.

The excitement and confusion and thrills of the Christmas season have passed. From our other Homes for the Aged and Homes for Children come reports of generous Christmas offerings and many Christmas programs.

Life in Northwestern Christian Home has settled into the long winter stretch between Christmas and spring. Each passing week adds a little to the weight of accumulating years and saps a little from the waning strength of aging guests. Occasional emergencies make some variety in the daily rounds. One such was when a rock in the coal jammed the stoker and the superintendent had to spend Sunday afternoon shovelling coal until a repair man could be found. Reports by radio and newspaper from the severe winter and battle fronts in other parts of the world serve to emphasize the blessings of quiet and security in this home of the church.

Contributions of canned food and other commodities have surpassed all previous records. The total value of such contributions in 1944 invoiced $1,989.20. That for 1943 was $1,626.98. Our storage space is running over. Enough jars have been filled to last through another year. We are sending out word that we shall not need to have any filled this year. We do need help in storage space for empty jars. If those who have some place to keep a barrel or two of empty jars until next year will send us word we can send out the jars and help our crowded space here. One truck load has gone out. The response last fall and promises for spring have supplied us with potatoes for this season. We do need other root vegetables.

Cash contributions for December and January surpassed those of the corresponding months a year ago. Our hope is that each month may equal or surpass that of the preceding year. February last year brought $534.78. What will be its record for 1945?

Annuity Bonds

The National Benevolent Association reports that the annuity bonds totalling $34,057.58 were issued during 1944. These bonds will bring semi-annual income payments for life to the investor. Then the remainder of the principal will be devoted to the work of benevolence. Any one interested in making such an investment may secure definite information by writing to the National Benevolent Association, 1602 Landreth Building, St. Louis 2, Missouri, or from Northwestern Christian Home or the field representative.—Walter L. Myers.

War Casualties

John Burris, Hood River Valley Church, killed in action December 3, on Leyte Island.

Harry Beasley, Multnomah Church, killed in action off the coast of Norway.

Jim Hess, N. C. C. student, killed in action November 22, on Leyte Island.

George E. Wallace, Portland First Church, reported missing in action.

George Bowen, Salem, reported seriously ill with pneumonia in Italy. Later report that he was recovering.

Courtney Swander, hospitalized in England for wounds, contracted pneumonia. Telegram received February 1 reports doing well.

Howard Fowler, Portland First Church, hospitalized in England, recovering from wounds.

Marvin Myers, Beaverton Church, recovering from wounds in England.

Again we solicit the prayers of the churches for these boys in service. It is no small price they are paying for fighting our battles. And the best contribution we can make to them is intercession for them to our Heavenly Father.

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FRANCIS A. WARE

Just as we close up copy word comes that Francis A. Ware, Portland, died on February 6. He was an elder in the Sellwood church. In former years he was in the ministry, chiefly in eastern states. He was one of the first graduates of the old Eugene Divinity School. Funeral services were held February 9, Ralph L. Putnam in charge.

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MILL CITY—Having cottage prayer meetings for boys in the service, for our country and civic righteousness. F. Claude Stephens, pastor.

THE FIRES OF EVANGELISM KEEP GROWING

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The Morgans have given up their school teaching to devote full time to the work, and Marshall Gilchrist, a senior from N. C. C. is assisting weekends in the services. Is there an individual Christian, or a church in Oregon that cannot have a part in helping these brethren meet their goal?

Glendale Reports

The Lord is indeed answering prayer these days. Last month we wrote that Glendale had a good opportunity to purchase a church property which could be made into a very suitable place of worship for the congregation there. Guy Armstrong writes that negotiations have been carried on and that this property can be had for $1,250 cash. The church has all but $150 of this amount in its building fund and must secure that sum to be able to close the deal. After that nearly $1,000 would be required to carry out the necessary improvements to put the property in shape for use. It is up to us to act; God has done His part.

Wanted! 600 M. M. M.

Really, this ad is hardly necessary after the above news stories. Before you read this every Millennium Minute Man will have received a call to supplement the gifts made when they enrolled along with a personal appointment to recruit at least one more M. M. M. We want to complete that Honor Roll of 1,000 before the Turner Convention (but we don't want to stop at 1,000). Those of the 419 now enrolled have individually subscribed $1,0005.75 since the challenge was sounded last summer and one church has enlisted with $50 for each of the fields being assisted at present. Reports from Seaside and Milwaukie could not be included in our columns this time, but be on the lookout for them next issue as well as for news of the M. M. M. campaign.

Yamhill Sets New Record

Yamhill District is never content with past performances so hung up an attendance record of 88 in the January 15 rally at Yamhill. Dudley Strain, Salem First, was the guest speaker and probed the hearts of his listeners with an unusual message and appeal for every follower of Christ to climb higher. The new district officers were installed by Clifford Dobbins, state president; and Charles Teagarden, of Yamhill, and Art Parrish, of Newberg, were selected as a committee on boys' work. Dave Duncan, of Willamina, was chosen as member of the state evangelistic committee from the district. Beside pledges turned in the loose offering of the evening was $41.31. Next rally will be at Amity Mrach 19.

Griffeth Speaks to 106 Men

President Ross J. Griffeth, of N. C. C. spoke to 106 men and boys in the district rally at St. Johns on January 22, showing the supreme need for Christ-centered individuals for the building of nations and a world which can live in peace and harmony. He brought encouraging news concerning the college program and the growth of the fund for a new dormitory. Let's keep that fund growing for the B. Ross Evans Jr., memorial room. Send funds direct to the college with your designation.

The business of the evening was carried on with the absence of P. W. Beasley, Multnomah, the district treasurer. Just prior to the meeting he received word that his son had been lost in action. Chairman Dale Underwood called upon the assembly to rise in token of tribute while Elery Parrish, Multnomah minister, offered prayer. As this copy is being written word comes that the brother of Martin Kullowatz had passed away in Italy. Brother Kullowatz is state evangelistic chairman for the "99" and the sympathy of the brotherhood is extended to him.

Dr. C. R. Beatty, of Kern Park, took over as treasurer pro-tem and reported $237 turned in on pledges and loose offering was $39. The invitation of Central Church was accepted for the next rally March 26.

Mallory Men Launch Out

Fifty-six men attended a "kick-off" dinner in the church January 16 in a move to build a real "99" class. Floyd Yarbrough was master of ceremonies ably assisted by various lieutenants. A pep talk was given by L. O. White, minister, and the inspirational "massage" of the evening was given by James Earl Ladd. It must have done things to the men present for each Sunday their attendance has been growing. Their share of the Easter goal of 1,000 is 150. That 1,000 idea must be an obsession at Mallory. Wallace Jones, one of the four teachers of the class fathered the name of the Millennium Minute Men. Brothers Culbertson, Neely, and White make up the rest of the foursome. Just what method of selecting the teacher each Sunday must be a military secret—we haven't been able to get the dope on it.

Don't forget McKenzie District rally at Springfield February 19 and Willamette District rally at Albany on February 26.

A SUGGESTION

With the death of Mrs. Albyn Esson a pledge of $25 to the centennial fund is left unpaid. Had she lived she would have paid it. Our suggestion is that the preachers of the state, others if they desire, pay the pledge with small contributions each. We have already received two $1 contributions. Who else will come into this pool?

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MYRTLE POINT—Dr. Roy L. Dunn held a meeting in January. It was a great success. Phil Ryan, pastor.

Centennial Fund

December 29 to January 31

New Receipts

BEAVERTON: W. L. Myers, $10 pd; Mrs. W. L. Myers, $10 pd; Fred B. Myers, $5 pd.

DALLAS: Truman Robbins, $1 pd; Harvey Smith, $1 pd; Robert Dornhecker $1 pd; Varnum Shreeve $10 pd; Adah Shreeve $10 pd; Kenneth Shreeve $5 pd.

EUGENE FIRST: Church, $500.

ESTACADA: Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Chandler $10 pd; Cpl. Milton C. Cobb $1 pd; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Serfus $1 pd; Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kiggins $5 pd; Duane Kiggins $2.50 pd; Joyce Kiggins $2.50 pd; Mrs. P. M. Anderson $1 pd; Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Akins $2; DorothyAkins $1; Robert Akins $1; Mary Louise Akins $1; Thomas Akins $1; Alice Arlene Akins $1; Jerry Akins $1; Martha M. Cahill $1 pd; Carol Dorothy Cahill $1 pd; Cecil M. Cahill $1 pd; Burton R. Cahill $1 pd; Douglas A. Cahill $1 pd; James A. Cahill $1 pd; Susie E. Moore $5 pd.

FALLS CITY: Mrs. Carrie Gramling $2; Ethel Guthridge $1; Mrs. Virgil Davis $1; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Herwick $25; Dorothy Benefiel $1 pd; John Letterman $1 pd; Miss Helen Leonard $1 pd; Shirley Letterman $1 pd; Mast. Sgt. Kenneth P. Thrasher $1 pd; Sgt. and Mrs. Virgil Anderson $10; Mrs. Maude Beard $5; Ruth Beard $5; Lelia Beard $5; Lacey and Lucy Goode $10; Junius E. Ward $1 pd; Mrs. Junius E. Ward $1 pd; Minna Hoppe $1 pd; Park S. Calkins $5 pd; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Harter $2 pd; Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Bartel $4 pd; Eugene R. Bartel $2 pd; Joyce Yvonne Bartel $2 pd; Ila Darlene Bartel $2 pd; Timothy D. Bartel $2 pd; George W. Letterman $1; Roscoe Hatch $1; Gilbert Morgan $1; Carl Teal $1; Kenneth Dodd $1; Roy Weaver $1; Melton Ferguson $1; Emerson Murphy $1; Richard Paul $1; John P. Frink $1; Jesse Bahr $1; Wilma Wallace $1; Gerald Harris $1; Virgil Anderson $1; William Viles $1.

HERMISTON: R. G. Saylor $10 pd; Hilda M. Saylor $10 pd; Eldon Saylor $10 pd; Donna Harper $10 pd; Louise Saylor $10 pd; Lowell Saylor $10 pd.

KLAMATH FALLS: Mrs. Minnie Brooks $5 pd.

MULTNOMAH: Mary C. Hodges $2 pd; Keith Watkins $10; Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Scott $10 pd; Sgt. Ruthford Scott $1 pd; Walter G. Scott $1 pd; Betty G. Scott $5; Joyce R. Scott $1 pd; Myrna J. Scott $1 pd; Doris J. Scott $1 pd; Mrs. Ethel Partlow $1 pd; M. Dean Partlow $1 pd; Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Albaugh $5; Marvin W. Albaugh $2; Alice Joy Keep $1; Jimmy Albaugh $1; Mrs. Elizabeth Shane $10; Anne Watkins $1 pd; Mary Ruth Rummel $10; Carrol S. Jones $10; Carolyn E. Baney $5; Pfc. Earl T. Hardy $5; C. B. Baney $5 pd; Ralph Smallen $1 pd; Lewis Smallen $1 pd; Roberta Smallen $1 pd; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schlip $10; Edith N. Parrish $5; Ronald W. Parrish $5; Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Smith $50; Marshal Watkins $1 pd.

OREGON CITY: Mary Green $1 pd; Mrs. L. D. Ball $1 pd.

PERRYDALE: Doris McKee $1 pd; Mattie K. McKee $10 pd; Mr. and Mrs. Levi McKee $5 pd; W. H. McKee $5 pd; Mrs. H. G. Keyt $1 pd; H. C. Kurtz $5 pd; Raymond White $1 pd; Eugene Morrison $1 pd; James Yoakum $1 pd.

PLEASANT HILL: Church $3 pd.

PORTLAND (Central): $200 pd.

PORTLAND (Kern Park): Youth Association $5 pd.

SALEM (First): Dudley Strain $100; Church $500.

STAYTON: Union Hill Bible School $10 pd.

TURNER: Geneva L. Dunckley $5 pd 50c; Rebecca A. Dunckley $5 pd 50c.

WALLOWA: Mrs. Anna M. Thompson $1 pd; Patricia Ann Harland $1 pd.

WALTON: Mr. and Mrs. Lyall Keith $10 pd.

MISCELLANEOUS: W. S. Crockett $20 pd.

Previous Pledges Paid

ALBANY: Orville F. Mick $10.

BEND: J. A. Fountain $15.

COQUILLE: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sloan $5; Mr. and Mrs. Errol B. Sloan $5; Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Nosler $5; Zandra Sloan $2.50; Margaret D. Nosler $2.50; Paula Sloan $2.50.

DALLAS: Pat Richardson $1; Chloe Butz $1; Mr. and Mrs Leighton A. Dashiell $5.

EUGENE (First): Mrs. Anna Bailey $10.

H. R. VALLEY: B. Ross Evans $15.

KLAMATH FALLS: A. C. Bates $10; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Robertson $10.

McMINVILLE: Laura Johnson $100.

NEWBERG: Dr. and Mrs. I. R. Root $20; D. F. Timmerman $5; J. Frank Cunningham $5; Mrs. Frieda Moore $5; Church $35.

NO. BEND: Earl and Dorah Hall $5.

NYSSA: Mrs. Grace McPhail $1.

OAKLAND: Dr. R. L. Dunn $40.

OREGON CITY: E. G. Smith $15; E. B. Brock $10.

PENDLETON: Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Baker $10; Eleanor Baker $1; Emma Baker $1; Charles Baker $1; Leslie Baker $1; Forrest Baker Jr., $1; Mrs. Roy Blake $5; Edwin Baker $1.

PORTLAND (Englewood): Church $37.50.

PORTLAND (First): C. F. Swander $5.

PORTLAND (Kern Park): Meyer Tan-Ditter $5; Mrs. Mildred Henry $15; Peggy Jean Henry $5.

PORTLAND (Sellwood): Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Robinson $10; Mrs. Maude Robinson $5; Mrs. Amy Wallace $5.

SALEM (First): Church $42.

TILLAMOOK: Church $15.

TURNER: Albyn Esson $2.

VALE: Mrs. Robert Baker $5.

VERNONIA: Church $50.

WALLOWA: Hoy Fred Carmen $5; Judy Carmen $5; Evelyn Oveson $5; Carolyn Oveson $5; Linda McCrea $5; Mary Louise Weinhard $5.

Please

If you have paid between the dates December 29 and January 31 and a credit is not given here please write us giving details. We shall be glad to correct errors and we admit that we make them.

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A SURPRISE

Twelve years ago a stranger, carrying a Bible, came to the office and solicited a "loan." We have learned wariness, so we offered him a dollar if he would leave the Bible as a pledge. He did; and today, 12 years later he came in to claim the Bible, and repay the loan. In the meantime he had turned Sabbatarian. Problem: Did we cause it?

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PORTLAND (St. Johns) — Begin work soon on the primary rooms in the basement. Howard C. Cole, pastor.

PERRYDALE—Am preaching a series of sermons on "What and Why We Believe as We Do." Raymond Helseth, pastor.

REDMOND—Holding mid-week services on Tuesday evening; about 20 are present. D. Ladd Howard, pastor.

RIDDLE—David Moon supplied December 31 with two fine missionary messages. Truman Robbins, pastor.

State Offerings

December 29 to January 31

CHURCHES: Albany $86; Bend, $37.50; Carlton, $10.62; Corvallis $24-.72; Court St., $206.50; Elkton, $12.56; Eugene First, $100; Englewood, $50; Gladstone, $23.33; Grants Pass, $23.41; Hillsboro, $125; Heppner, $25.82; Hermiston, $25; Hood River, $20; Ione, $10.33; Kern Park, $50; Mallory Ave., $125.90; Molalla, $25; Medford, $70; Milton, $69; Nyssa, $5.19; Pendleton, $103.40; Redmond, $27.35; Salem First, $50; Silverton, $75; Springfield, $39-.36; Sheridan, $16.35; Turner, $27.99; Vale, $30; Vanport, $33.45; Yamhill, $9.

SCHOOLS: Carlton, $9.10; Court St., $15.53; Dallas, $30; Kern Park, $13.82; Sheridan, $2.80; Milton, $9.36; Mallory Ave., $10.48; Monmouth, $2,92.

INDIVIDUALS: Meyer Tan-Ditter, $2; F. A. Hurner, $10; T. G. Richardson, $2; Courtney Swander, $2; Osa Gillett, $10.65.

PERMANENT FUND: Anonymous, $1.25; Courtney Swander, $5.

MISCELLANEOUS: Youth Asso. Kern Park, $1.25; Central Oregon District $32.49.

January showed a marked increase over December. We closed December almost neck and neck with the same time last year. We close January more than $500 ahead of last year. We close the month with offerings from 70 churches and 30 schools. More and more schools are turning their money through the church treasury and this would account for some schools not being in the accounting above. We ask a continuance of loyalty to this ministry.

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PENDLETON—The annual reports showed an average B. S. attendance of 127 for 1944; B. S. Receipts, $1,193.36; receipts in all departments were $11,-627.24. Will engage in a contest with The Dalles through Fepruary and March including Easter Sunday. O. D. Harris, pastor.

PORTLAND (Kern Park)—On January 21 C. F. Swander presented awards to 42 for perfect attendance during 1944 and brought the morning message. C. H. Addleman, pastor.

PORTLAND (Sellwood) — Stressing Home Visitation evangelism during the pre-Easter season. Conducting study in evangelism on Sunday evenings. R. L. Putnam, pastor.

SALEM COURT — There were 19 baptisms and 42 by statement during 1944. W. H. Lyman, pastor.

ST. HELENS—Have six volunteers for Christian work. Melvin Huckins is looking to the mission field; Clement Huckins entered N. C. C. January 2; and Keith Wens preached his first sermon December 31. 32 baptisms in 1944. N. J. Reasoner, Pastor.

SEASIDE—Have enlarged the auditorium and purchased 50 more chairs. Wm. F. Morse, pastor.

VERNONIA—Pledges for all purposes during 1944 were paid 100%. A remarkable record! W. O. Livingstone, pastor.

WILLAMINA — Eldredge Gray has been called as pastor. Mrs. W. B. Matthews, correspondent.

NYSSA—A contest has been arranged between Nyssa, Vale, Ontario, Payette, Ida., and Weiser, Ida. George R. Whipple, Jr. pastor.

BAKER—Church celebrated its 35th anniversary January 19 with a fellowship dinner and program. F. W. Zook, pastor.

GOOD TIDINGS

ASHLAND—Redomeling and refinishing auditorium at cost of about $1,200. A. C. Bates will hold rally March 7-11, and Earl Ladd II will hold a two-weeks pre-Easter meeting. Earl F. Downing, pastor.

AMITY—The annual meeting reported a total of $5,453.32 for all purposes. The White-Snyder meeting commenced January 28. Ray Smith, pastor.

BAKER—Closed 1944 with 53 added to the church; new roof on building; funds available for redecorating; finances best in 25 years. F. W. Zook, pastor.

DAYTON—Finished work on basement plumbing and the kitchen. Dallas Meserve, pastor.

DALLAS—Truman Robbins was ordained to the ministry December 31. We are planning a pre-Easter meeting with Gene Robinson preaching. Fred L. Towne, pastor.

DRAIN — Attendance greatly increased. A. E. Gardner, correspondent.

ELKTON — Planning evangelistic meetings in March. W. E. Dannen, pastor.

FALLS CITY—Plans are formed and funds being raised for a new building. Dale Harter, pastor.

FLORENCE—Have started a missionary fund, and planning an Easter rally. Leslie Lowrey, pastor.

GARIBALDI — Have started Saturday evening prayer meetings and Sunday evening Bible study. Mr. Moon visited the church January 28. Herald Haskell, pastor.

GRANTS PASS—Began third year of ministry here January 21. Church is in best financial condition in its history. Attendance growing. Gordon L. Hypes, pastor.

HARRISBURG — The annual wild game dinner was held January 18 with 37 men present. Ward Rice was speaker. Church gave $819 during last year for post war improvement program. Wm. Siefke, pastor.

HOLLEY — A new floor has been laid and flood lights installed. Harry Benton, pastor.

MILTON — Annual meeting was held January 7. Increase in every department noted. Carl Moon is the superintendent for coming year. Joe Jewett, pastor.

MONMOUTH—A college CYF of 15 members meets on Sunday evening. A new High School group of 10 has been enrolled. A garage is being built. Geo. J. Turner, pastor.

MULTNOMAH—Over $10,000 was raised for all purposes in 1944. 49 were added to the church. Elery Parrish, pastor.

NEWPORT—Sunday School attendance has increased 50% since June. Gave $174 to missions and benevolence in last three months. Eldon Wildanen, pastor.

PORTLAND (Central)—Church has purchased 36 new pews for the auditorium. James Earl Ladd, pastor.

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DIRECT SUPPORT MISSION NEWS

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moving a church building to the mission property, and erecting the first unit of the dormitory for the Jamaica Bible College. They estimate the cost of these three projects to be between $3,000 and $4,000. Funds can be sent to them at either of the following addresses: P. O. Box 1090, San Jose, California; or Ewarton P. O. Jamaica, B. W. I. Money orders should be made to the Kingston Postoffice. Letters sent to their Jamaica address should be sent by air mail, 10c per half-ounce.